

Poultry Market Reports

Eastern Pa. and N. J.

Wednesday, Sept. 29

Undertone on light type hens fully steady. Offerings about adequate for the good processor buying interest. Processing activity varied somewhat due to religious holiday this week. Prices paid at farm: light type hens 5-7 mostly 6¾-7 in Pennsylvania. Heavy type hens 13-13½ mostly 6 in New Jersey.

Delmarva

Wednesday, Sept. 29

Ready-to cook prices are lower for later shipments. Interest is fair for 3½-4 pound weights in instances, no better than fair on balance. Offerings are adequate in some quarters, ample in others. Live supplies ample for the moderate processing activity. Pool truck lot prices for Thursday arrival in the New York area: U.S. Grade A 26-28 M 26½-27, Plant Grade 25-26½ M 26. Special packs including 1¾-2, 3½ pound sizes TFEWR.

Fogelsville

Sale of Tuesday, September 21.

(Prices paid dock weights, cents per lb., except where noted)
HENS, HEAVY TYPE 5-19, mostly 7-15; **PULLETS** 18-35, mostly 26-30; **ROASTERS** 3-29, mostly 24-28; **DUCKS** 15-34½, mostly 28-34½; **DRAKES** 4-40, mostly 36-40; **GEESE** 24-30½; **RABBITS** 10-35, mostly 20-32; **GUINEAS** 45-75, mostly 65-75; **PIGEONS (PER PAIR)** 10-2.01, mostly 75-81.
TOTAL COOPS SOLD 636.

Weekly New York Egg Market

From Monday, September 27 to Friday, October 1st

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Fcy. Ex. Large	42	40	38½	38½	38
Large	38	36	34½	34½	34
Mediums	27	25½	25½	25½	25
Pullets	20	19	18	18	18
Peeweese	14	13	13	13	13
BROWN					
Fcy. Large	43	41	40	40	39
Mediums	Unquoted				
Pullets	Unquoted				
Peeweese	Unquoted				
Standards	31	30	29½	29½	29
Checks	17	17	17	17	17

Tone — Overall supplies of large fully ample. Mediums showing slight improvement from area to area.

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New York Eggs

Thursday, Sept. 30

Market unsettled. Demand irregular with wholesale buyers unaggressive and limiting purchases to day-to-day needs. Distributors are tending to be free sellers and not refusing reasonable offers with numerous sales at prices to be determined later. Arrivals moderately heavy where distributors were closed Wednesday. Additional offering from the country points plentiful on large, moderate on mediums. Supplies of large plentiful, mediums ample. Carton activity is irregular with movement only fair at best

Fix-It Tip

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Local Dairymen Attend Conference

Several local dairymen recently completed a two-day dairy conference in Philadelphia. They include: Robert Mc-

Sparran, Peach Bottom; Roy H. Book, Ronks, and Daniel L. Martin, Manheim, all local directors of Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative, and James Barnett, Don Breiner, Andrew Marvin, Edward Montgomery, Mack Newton and Lewis Springer, fieldmen.

Dr. James E. Honan, general manager of Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative, moderated the program for the directors and fieldmen on present milk marketing conditions within Federal Order No. 4. Dr. Paul E. Hand, economist for Inter-State, and Donald Copeland, counsel, discussed Federal milk orders.

The purpose of this two-day conference was to study the current milk marketing situation

affecting Federal and state milk marketing orders and the President's price and wage 'freeze' order.

The conference activities included requirements for new farm inspection, screening and milk flavor programs, and a complete review of various types of base and milk quality programs in operation.

Milk pricing was included in the two-day session in relation to the demand for milk and the problem of inflation as it affects dairy farmers.

Field representatives from four states reported milk marketing problems.

Wilbur Seipt, president of Inter-State, presided over the two-day meeting.

FHA to Make Chester Co. Loans

The U. S. Department of Agriculture recently announced that the Farmers Home Administration may receive applications from flood victims on farms and in rural areas in Chester County.

This follows President Nixon's September 17 declaration of a major disaster in the State of Pennsylvania as a result of unusual heavy rains and flooding beginning about September 11.

Farmers Home Administration loans are made to finance crop production, replace livestock, for other expenses necessary to

restore normal operations, and to repair or replace damaged dwellings or farm buildings.

Applications from Chester County should be made at the county Farmers Home Administration office at 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, Pa. 17601. Borrowers must have sustained damage from the disaster cited.

Farmers or rural residents who borrow agree to repay their loans as soon as possible consistent with their ability. Loans are secured by liens as required to protect the government's interest.

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Don't Plant Wheat Too Early, Smith Warns

Unless there's an early frost, Lancaster County farmers should not plant fall wheat during the next 10 days, according to Max Smith, county ag agent.

The advice is based on the probability of Hessian fly damage if the planting occurs earlier.

Smith explains that during the past season, the Redcoat wheat variety was found to be damaged by the Hessian fly. Always before, farmers who wanted to plant ahead of the first frost could depend on Redcoat to be resistant to the Hessian fly. Now, no resistant varieties are available.

If the wheat is attacked by the fly in the fall, the stalks will lodge and there will be considerable harvesting loss.

October 10 is normally the frost date in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Although last fall was exceptionally warm and the fly probably was still around by November 1, Smith believes planting wheat after October 10—before if there's a frost—will be adequate protection.

But unless there is an early frost, farmers who seed wheat this week and possibly next week are subjecting themselves to possible fly damage, Smith said.

Try Arthur

Meanwhile, Smith is also recommending that farmers interested in wheat try planting some of a new variety called Arthur. Relatively new, the variety is available in limited quantities only.

Other varieties being recommended include Redcoat, Blueboy and Pennoll. None of these, including Arthur, have much fly resistance.

Developed by the Purdue University Agricultural Experiment Station, Arthur is a moderately stiff-strawed, plumpkerneled, soft red winter wheat, Smith said.

The variety has many of the

same characteristics as Redcoat, with nearly the same resistance to leaf rust, powdery mildew and the Hessian fly.

It appears to have better loose smut resistance than Redcoat, he said, and since it is not as stiff-strawed as Redcoat, it should not be Spring topdressed with as much nitrogen as Redcoat on fields where lodging occurs.

The variety has performed well in Pennsylvania and Ohio tests. Straw height is about the same as Blueboy, Smith said, and about three inches shorter than Redcoat.

In trials conducted at six agricultural experiment stations in five counties throughout the state during 1970, Arthur yielded four bushels more than Blueboy and six bushels more than Redcoat.

The tests were conducted in Lancaster, Centre, Columbia, Crawford and Franklin counties.

By 1972, Smith said, local wheat growers will have an opportunity to plant Arthur 71, which is Arthur with improved Hessian fly resistance.

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